

# **Terrorism as a threat to the European and global order**

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This paper will discuss terrorism as a global threat. Currently in the New World Order concepts such as terrorism have entered the field of security. Terrorism as a notion and as an activity is defined differently by different authors. As a concept, historically it has been used during the French Bourgeois Revolution, in terms of sentences imposed by the revolutionary courts against the enemies of the Republic. The word terrorism derives from the Latin word "terror" which means horror, sadness, intimidation and tremble, political violence or physical destruction of the opponent.

With the end of the Cold War, the emergence of several concepts that previously did not exist, or were at a low level, changed the position and turned into one of the main threats worldwide. This was the trigger that forced states to reconsider the mechanisms of national and international security. After the events of September 11 and the attack on the twin towers in New York, it was proved that no country in the world is safe now, including those who claim to have created a modern defence system.

Therefore, nowadays the challenge for countries and international organizations remains the identification of terrorists, the tools they have, where, when and how they will strike.

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